NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO Docket No THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (Large Entity) PK993 In Re Application Of: Kimihiro Yoshizako, et al. Serial No. Filing Date Examiner Group Art Unit 10/018,024 March 12, 2002 Ernest G. Therkorn 1723 Invention: Affinity-Controlling Material with the Use of Stimulus-Responsive Polymer and Separation/ Purification Method with the Use of the Material TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated December 19, 2003 finally rejecting Claim(s) 1-7, 10 and 11. The fee for this Notice of Appeal is: A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. \times The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502-590

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